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<b>Pre-Interview Communication</b> (For use in the First Action Interview Pilot Program)	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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This time period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a). This communication constitutes notice under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(1)(i).

To avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must, within this time period for reply, file:

- (1) A letter requesting not to have a first-action interview, or
- (2) A completed Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form (PTOL-413A) accompanied by a proposed amendment or arguments.

Inventor participation in the Pre-First Action Interview is encouraged if it would expedite resolution of the application.

#### Disposition of Claims

- 3) Claim(s) 1-10, 13, 15-18 and 20-24 is/are pending in the application.  
3a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 4) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ appear to be allowable.
- 5) Claim(s) 1-10, 13, 15-18 and 20-24 appear to be rejectable.
- 6) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ may be subject to an objection.
- 7) Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

- 8) The specification may be subject to an objection by the Examiner.
- 9) The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) accepted or b) may be subject to an objection by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 10) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 11) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  
a) All    b) Some \* c) None of:
  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\*See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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#### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)          | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____                                      |
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**Notification of Potential Rejection(s) and/or Objection(s)**

#	Claim(s)	Reference(s) (if applicable)	Rejection Statutory Basis	Brief Explanation of Potential Rejection
1	1, 7-9, 15-17, 23 and 24	Jacobson	102(e)	Claims 1, 9, and 17 (see Jacobson, Abstract, Column 2, Lines 7-24, Column 10, Line 55 through Column 11, Line 59, Column 12, Lines 1-65, Column 13, Lines 25-64, Column 14, Lines 8-67 and Column 18, Lines 15-30); see continuation below
2	2-6, 10, 13, 18 and 21	Jacobson, Lineman	103(a)	Claims 2-6, 10, 13, 18 and 21 (see Jacobson Column 11, Lines 41-53, Column 12, Lines 1-52 Column 18, Lines 15-30, compliance policy value (i.e., compliance score) and Column 13, Line 65 through Column 14, Line 29, Displaying rule compliance (see continuation))

**Expanded Discussion/Commentary**

1		Claims 7, 15, and 23 (see Jacobson Fig. 1, Fig. 5, and Column 7, Lines 35-62); and Claims 8, 16 and 24 (see Jacobson Fig. 3c # 300 and # 336; Column 13, Line 25 through Column 14, Line 19 and Column 10, Lines 9-26 interface for feedback and evaluation process).
2		results to an administrator. Jacobson discloses the invention substantially as claimed, except that Jacobson does not explicitly recite a graphical interface for displaying the compliance scores). However, Lineman discloses graphical interface for displaying the compliance scores in different forms, see Lineman, Fig. 11D showing a chart on a graphical interface, Figs. 13A-13C, Page 8, ¶¶0081, and Page 9, ¶¶0086-0087). Thus, it would have been obvious to have modified the teachings of Jacobson in order to facilitate the rule compliance management.

DATE: <b>08/11/2008</b>	Examiner Signature: 	Primary Examiner Signature:
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